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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: CHINESE REFUGEES FROM VIETNAM

1. IN AN APRIL 30 "TEA PARTY" FOR VISITING OVERSEAS
CHINESE, LIAO CHENG-CHIH, WHO HEADS THE PRC'S OVERSEAS
CHINESE AFFAIRS OFFICE, MADE THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TO
REFUGEES FROM VIETNAM. QUOTE: RECENTLY, LARGE NUMBERS
OF CHINESE RESIDING IN VIETNAM SUDDENLY BEGAN TO RETURN TO
CHINA. WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THIS AND ARE CLOSELY
FOLLOWING THE DEVELOPMENTS. ACTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH
CHAIRMAN MAO'S DIRECTIVE TO "PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF
OVERSEAS CHINESE AND HELP THOSE WHO RETURN", WE HAVE MADE
APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THOSE OVERSEAS CHINESE WHO FOR
VARIOUS REASONS HAVE IN RECENT DAYS HASTILY RETURNED TO
CHINA. END QUOTE.

2. THIS IS AS FAR AS WE ARE AWARE THE FIRST PRC
REFERENCE TO REFUGEES FROM THE DRV. IT PRESUMABLY
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REFERS TO CHOLON BUSINESSMEN WHOSE PROPERTY WAS
EXPROPRIATED IN LAST MONTH'S CRACKDOWN ON PRIVATE TRADERS.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO
ADDRESSEES ON NUMBERS AND DESTINATION OF CHOLON REFUGEES.
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